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SUBJ: IAEA INSPECTORS ARRIVE

1. IAEA CHAIRMAN SETHNA TOLD US MAY 19 THAT A LARGE GROUP OF IAEA INSPECTORS HAVE ARRIVED IN BOMBAY. SETHNA STATES THE INSPECTORS' NATIONALITIES ARE: GUATEMALAN, CZECHOSLOVAK, GREEK, SWEDISH, EGYPTIAN, CANADIAN, AMERICAN, SWISS AND AUSTRALIAN.

2. SETHNA SAID THAT ONE OF THE TEAM MEMBERS (WHOM HE WOULD NOT IDENTIFY) HAD TOLD HIM THAT THE USG HAD BEEN PUSHING VERY HARD FOR IAEA TO COMPLETE DESIGN OF SAFEGUARD SYSTEM FOR TARAPUR FRP, SO THAT A PRE-OP DRY RUN COULD BE HELD SOON. SETHNA ALSO SAID TEAM REPORTED THAT IAEA HAD BEEN TOLD BY US THAT FRP WAS ALREADY "HOT". CONGEN THEN SAID THERE WAS NO TRUTH TO EITHER RUMOR; IN FACT, US HAS BEEN WORKING WITH IAEA TO IRON OUT PROBLEM OF NATIONALITY OF INSPECTORS SO THAT SAFEGUARD PROGRAM WOULD NOT BE SNAPPED IN EARLY STAGES BECAUSE OF PROBLEMS SETHNA HAS EMPHASIZED IN THIS REGARD. SETHNA SAID TEAM STARTING ITS OPERATION AT HYDERABAD NUCLEAR FUEL CENTER AND WOULD THEN GO TO TARAPUR.

3. SETHNA ALSO MADE POINT THAT WHILE HE HAS NEVER FORMALLY REJECTED AN INSPECTOR, PAKISTAN HAS REJECTED AUSTRALIAN MEMBER

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OF CURRENT TEAM, AND THEREFORE LATTER WOULD NOT GO ON TO PAKISTAN

WITH GROUP AFTER VISIT TO INDIA.

4. SETHNA EMPHASIZED THAT HE SHOULD BE PROTECTED AS SOURCE OF
INFO ABOUT ALLEGED US PRESSURE ON IAEA TO SPEED UP DEVELOPMENT
OF SAFEGUARD PROGRAM.

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